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Subject: Fw: Re: FW: complaint

interesting note from Sean Earle in this string.

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I'm confused,

We feel we have been making every effort to keep the dialogue moving in a proactive way with Region 8, and welcome all involvement in creating proactive changes.

We want Region 8 to embrace positive change, instead of referring to being questioned about valid safety concerns.

The time we spend trying to find a voice for the majority is not compensated and takes us away from our

own responsibilities and prior commitment.

We have no potential benefit other than witnessing a potential increased protection for Montana.

We have repeatedly expressed valid concerns about dangerous or wasteful decisions in Montana based on documentation or evidence.

We invite anyone out there to give us documentation or evidence for one singular invalid concern.

Please know that on every level, we are clearly focused on seeking protective measures, fair treatment of majority interests and transparent communication for every citizen.

For whatever reason, in many instances, Region 8 Administration (and ER executives) seem to focus on special interest groups or individuals which benefit financially or politically.

If this is not the case, it is easily remedied by increased open communication and inclusion and resolving the safety concerns.

We'd like to support all efforts to re-open a dialogue with the community and protect the public and sincerely appreciate every positive effort.

On Wed, Mar 2, 2011 at 10:09 PM, Libby Citizen <libbycitizens@gmail.com> wrote:

Respectfully, we at times wonder how much dialogue with Region 8 (and ER) it will require to fix the apparently growing list of concerns :

- 1) Premature ROD's on OU1 and OU2
- 2) Toxic Storage site at OU3 that has not been appropriately placed or properly capped, contained, abated or mitigated
- 3) Absence of the promised "Silver Bullet" Risk Assessment for OU4 which has been PEER REVIEWED, and PEER REVIEWS for OU 1 and OU2 Risk Assessments
- 4) Improper treatment or mistreatment of private homeowners and their properties during a Public Health Emergency
- 5) Dangerous Decisions on a multitude of removal and storage issues
- 6) Inappropriate management of the Rainy Creek area, including the dangerous Amphitheater and apparent continued pollution of roads and public waterways
- 7) Rudimentary and conflicting Public Presentations by Region 8's Head Toxicologist and Management Team

- 8) Neglect or Non Support of Libby CAG and any other majority represented group
- 9) Contaminated Bark from OU5 being shipped and sold throughout the US after testing positive for toxic material.
- 10) Administrative declarations during the past year such as;
 -if people aren't nice to uswe "won't want to help Libby" (Jim Martin)
 - "Libby's been breathing that stuff a long time" (Carol Campbell)
 - " There will be some detractors here tonight, when I give you the sign, cut the mike.." (Ted Linnert, Community Involvement Coordinator)

The residents of Libby must accept and then adopt the so-called products or messages of our campaign - be it the buy-in that there's a problem, be it the acceptance of our cleanup plan, or be it the adoption of some behavior modification, for example adopting and acting in accordance with whatever Institutional Controls we leave in place after we're gone...TED LINNERT, SONYA PENNOCK R8
Community Involvement



On Wed, Mar 2, 2011 at 9:43 PM, Michelle Hartly <michellehartly@gmail.com> wrote:

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> Mr. Sullivan,

> I hope this message finds you well. As for the need to file a complaint
> with the OIG concerning the bark from OU5, it is your groups prerogative
> to take that action. The OIG would address the complaint as with any
> other complaint received. I am aware of the issue surrounding the bark
> from OU5 and the questions your group has raised, since I am copied on
> most, if not all emails sent concerning the EPA actions in Libby. You
> asked for my input as to what course of action your group should take in
> this matter, I would suggest that your group continue to work EPA
> Region 8 in addressing these issues. You and I know that these problems
> are not simple ones, answers to questions may not come as quickly as one
> might hope, but the dialogue must continue. I will continue to look
> into matters that involve the Libby area and the Kootenai Valley, and
> will address all complaints sent to the EPA OIG, but again, I would hope
> that EPA Region 8 be given the chance to answer your questions first.
> It is a pleasure to hear from you, but if you have any additional
> questions, do not hesitate to contact me. Thanks again.

> Sean

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> Sean,
> Our group has asked EPA rapidly over the last few weeks to
> identify where the bark from OU5 was shipped as well as how much was shipped
> and what they intend to do about it. We have had no reasonable
> response on an issue we believe is a real threat to public health and safety
> as well as a waste of federal money with regard to the
> contamination of Libby.
> We are considering filing a special complaint on this issue, please advise.
> Gordon Sullivan

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